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1. When the Andesite Stone Quarry needed raw materials to be used in fulfilling its planned production quota, it normally placed an order for these materials with the administrative unit to which it was directly subordinate. [] would requisition the materials from the supplier whose yearly production plan included the providing of such materials to the organizational system in which the requesting plant operated.

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2. It is sometimes possible for an enterprise to order goods or services directly without going through administrative channels. This is especially true when ordering raw materials which are not on any rationed lists or when requesting services like drayage or shipping. Expenditures for such directly-ordered goods and services must, however, be covered by the Promfinplan (industrial financial plan) of the enterprise.

3. If there is a delay in fulfilling an order for raw materials or services or if an order is especially urgent, copies of the requesting letter are often sent to the Gorkom Partii (City Party Committee), to the Gorispolkom (City Executive Committee), to the Okrispolkom (Okrug Executive Committee), to the Prosecuting Attorney, to higher administrative echelons, etc. This represents an effort to put pressure on a reluctant supplier.

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25X1 4. An indication of the sort of pressure that can be brought to bear on an enterprise was shown when [] was asked by officials of a military construction project in the northern part of the Zakarpatskaya Oblast to provide some blasting materials. Although the output of [] 25X1 plant was commonly allotted to various industrial enterprises or to local government agencies under the Okrispolkom and although the enterprise's production plan provided for a reserve to be expended in case of emergency to any agency needing quantities beyond its planned allotments, the director of []

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25X1 5. On another occasion, [] enterprise urgently needed freight cars in which to ship some of its processed materials. The director's request to the local railroad dispatcher failed to elicit a prompt response. A second 25X1 [] was sent to the dispatcher, and this time copies were sent to various Party and government offices. The result of the second attempt was a visit from a representative of the railroad who pleaded with the enterprise director to take the pressure off. His argument was that there were no freight cars available and that further pressure might wreck his career with the railroad but would not produce the needed cars. The enterprise director yielded, after receiving a bribe from the railroad official.

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